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**PROJECT NO. 51812**

**ISSUES RELATED TO THE STATE §  
OF DISASTER FOR THE FEBRUARY §  
2021 WINTER WEATHER EVENT §§**

**BEFORE THE  
PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
OF TEXAS**

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**COALITION OF COMPETITIVE RETAIL  
ELECTRIC PROVIDERS' COMMENTS IN  
SUPPORT OF TEAM'S RENEWED  
REQUEST TO ENFORCE COMMISSION  
ORDER**

Immediate action is required by the Public Utility Commission of Texas, ("PUC" or "Commission") to avoid irreparable harm to the Texas electric market, its participants, and the public. A coalition of various certificated, competitive Retail Electric Providers operating in Texas<sup>1</sup> ("Coalition of Competitive Retailers" or "CCR") supports the filing made by the Texas Energy Association for Marketers (TEAM) that was filed on March 22, 2021. TEAM's filing renews and updates its request for the PUC to enforce its February 16 emergency order and protect Texas customers and their electricity suppliers from unauthorized \$9,000/MWh pricing and the associated administrative adders on February 18 and 19.<sup>2</sup>

The CCR respectfully requests that the Commission enforce its February 16<sup>th</sup> emergency order to ensure that immediately after transmission and distribution utilities were notified to end firm load shed to customers at 1:05 a.m. on February 18, 2021, energy market clearing prices are returned to normal without any administrative price adders. It is our position that the Commission's order to set prices at \$9,000/MWh ended when firm load shed ceased as it reflects the intent clearly stated in the Commission's order.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> The Coalition of Competitive Retailers supporting this filing including those in Attachment One.

<sup>2</sup> See item 182 filed in Docket 51812

<sup>3</sup> See item 4, Docket 51617, Paragraph I; Second Order Directing ERCOT to Take Action and Granting Exception to Commission Rules

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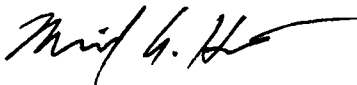
The CCR agrees with TEAM's assertion that neither the Commission, nor the Governor, nor the Legislature are bound by a 30-day time restriction for ordering resettlement for February 18 and February 19.<sup>4</sup>

The Coalition agrees with TEAM that the relief we are seeking is consistent with the recommendations filed by Commission's own Independent Market Monitor.<sup>5</sup>

The Coalition also agrees with TEAM's analysis that the "PUC and ERCOT have the existing authority to perform price corrections, have done so in the past, and a price correction for February 18 and 19 is squarely within that authority."<sup>6</sup>

WHEREFORE, PREMISES CONSIDERED, the Coalition of Competitive Retailers respectfully requests that the Commission grant TEAM's request and immediately direct ERCOT to correct pricing errors consistent with its February 16, 2021 order back to 1:05 a.m. on February 18, at which time ERCOT removed the firm load shed instructions to the transmission and distribution utilities.

Respectfully Submitted,

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<sup>4</sup> Docket 51812, item 182, page 1 – TEAM filing: Renewed Request to Enforce Commission Order

<sup>5</sup> Ibid, page 2

<sup>6</sup> Ibid, page 3

## **Attachment One**

### **Coalition of Competitive Retail Electric Providers Supporting This Filing**

#### **Background**

The Coalition of Competitive Retailers is an ad hoc group of competitive Retail Electric Providers that joined together in its desire to address the market issues stemming from the February 2021 Winter Weather Emergency.

#### **Participants in this filing:**

AP Gas & Electric (TX) LLC  
Eligo Energy TX LLC  
Pogo Energy LLC  
Young Energy LLC  
Volt Electricity Provider LP  
3000 Energy Corp.  
Summer Energy LLC  
LPT LLC  
Brooklet Energy Distribution LLC  
Windrose Power and Gas LLC  
Alliance Power Company LLC